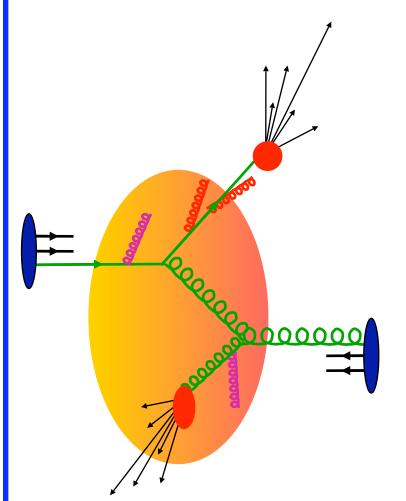
## Identified Particle Jet Modifications in AuAu Collisions at PHENIX

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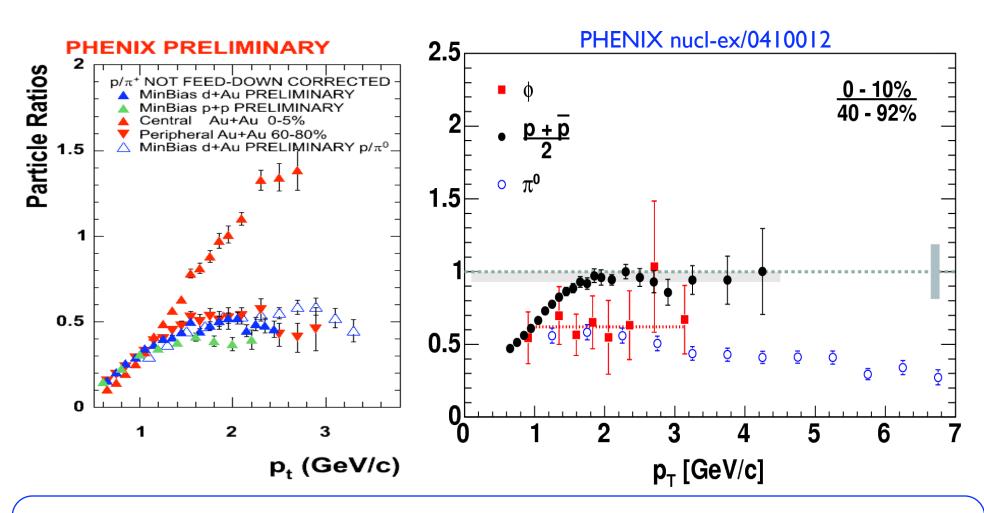


## Probing the Medium with Jets



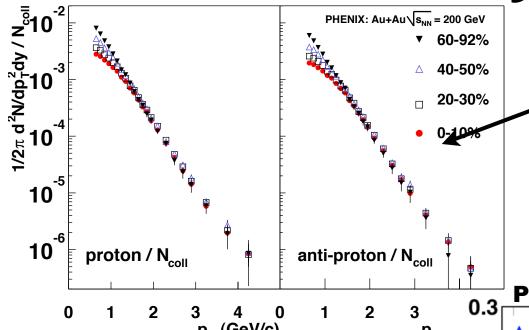
- jets are produced early and probe entire lifetime of medium
- jets are a calibrated probe
- what happens to the radiated energy?
- is the hadronization process affected by the medium?

#### Baryons are Weird



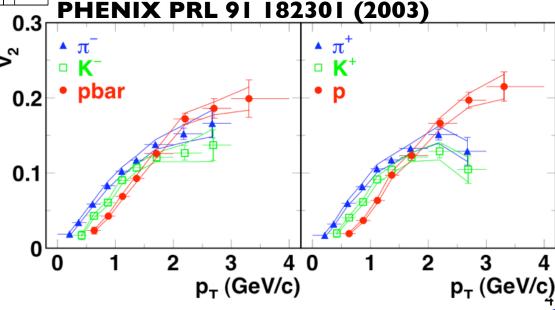
Particle identification is crucial for understanding particle production at intermediate  $p_{\mathsf{T}}$ 

## Where do the Extra Baryons Come From?



N<sub>coll</sub> scaling jets source?

Large baryon v<sub>2</sub>...
soft source
boosted to
intermediate p<sub>T</sub>?

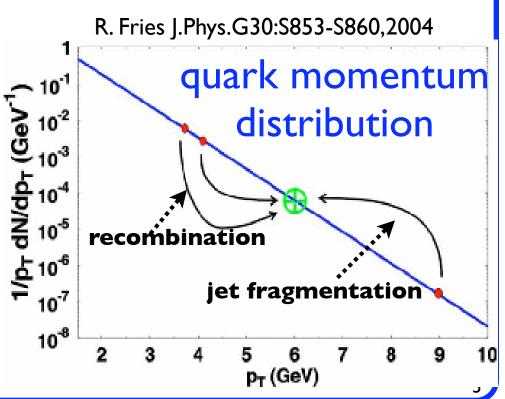


#### Recombination

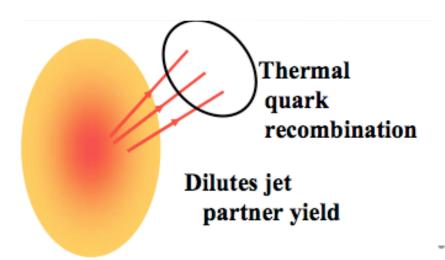
- quarks close together in phase space recombine to form observed hadrons
- recombining quarks come from either jet or thermal source, but all models predict a significant number of intermediate p<sub>T</sub> particles come from non-jet sources
- predicted to dominate where 
   <sup>10<sup>5</sup></sup>
   quark p<sub>T</sub> spectrum is
   exponential

Greco, Ko & Levai Fries et al. Hwa & Yang

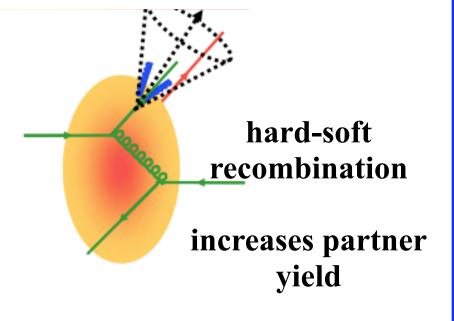
provides simple, natural explanation for baryon and meson differences



## Varieties of Recombination



recombination
could be the way
of understanding
how the medium
modifies
fragmentation



recombination from correlated source

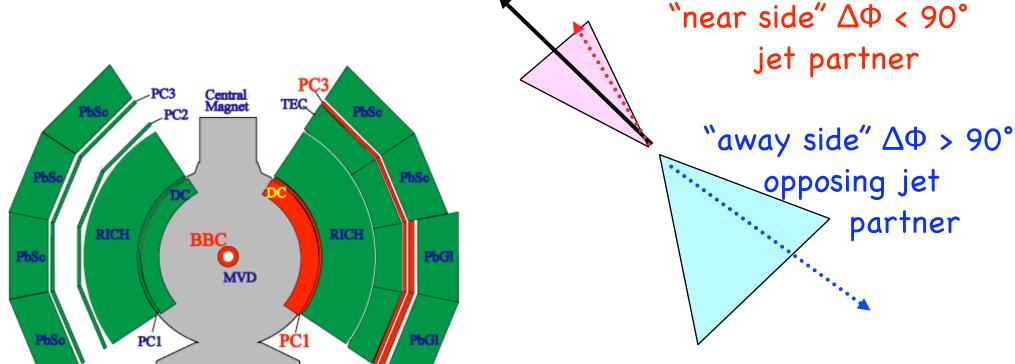
impact on yield depends on relative importance of fragmentation & recombination

### Two Particle Jet Correlations

find jets statistically

West

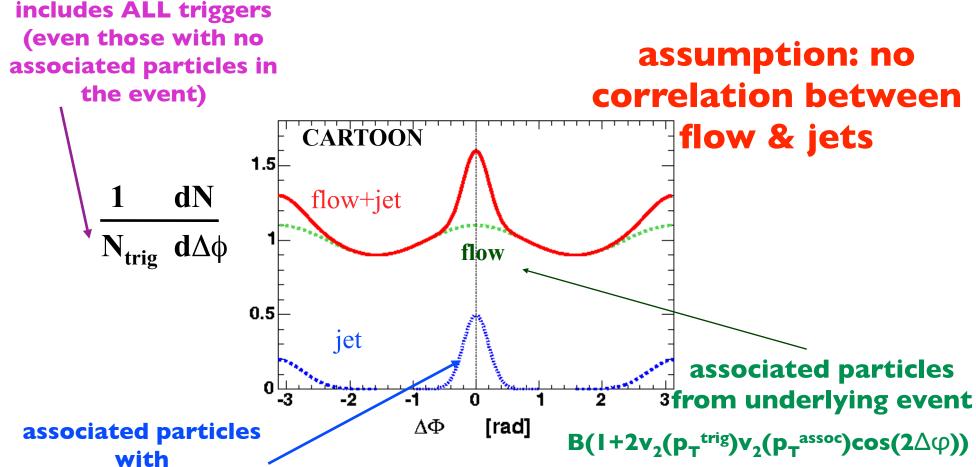
trigger at high p<sub>⊤</sub>



East

method finds biased high z jets

# Subtracting the Underlying Event



non-flow angular

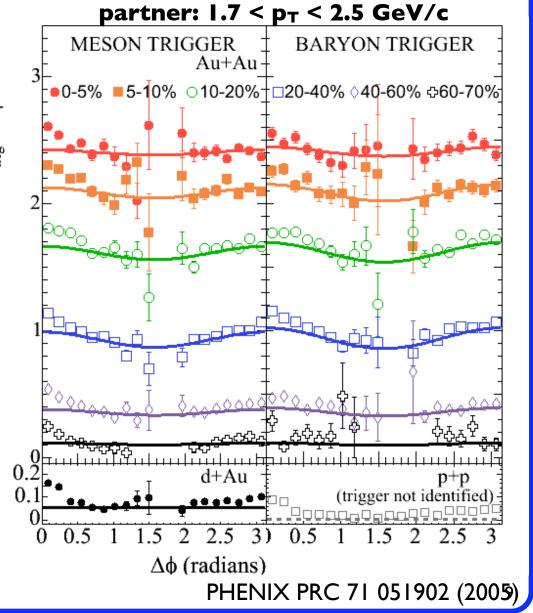
**correlations** → **jets!** 

v<sub>2</sub> values measured separately PHENIX PRL 91 (2003) 182301

### Background Normalization

no fitting or assumptions about signal shape

- combinatoric level -|z|
   determined independently
   from mixed events
  - mixed events have the same average trigger and partner rates as real events, but not the additional signal pairs

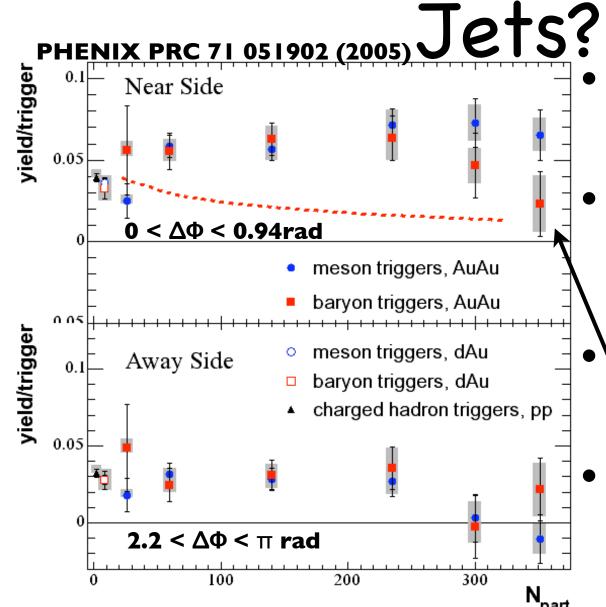


trigger:  $2.5 < p_T < 4.0$ GeV/c

#### Multiplicity Correlations

- real correlations due to higher multiplicity in more central edge of the centrality bin → more pairs
  - will exist in any finite size centrality bin
- correction determined via a Glauber model based MC
  - create pairs whose only correlation is centrality and compare to combinatoric rates
  - depends on pT, particle species, and centrality
    - ~0.2% of background level in central AuAu collisions
    - ~25% in peripheral AuAu collisions

#### Are the Baryons from



integrate partners/trigger above combinatoric level for both near and far sides

no significant difference between trigger baryons and mesons → baryons are from jets

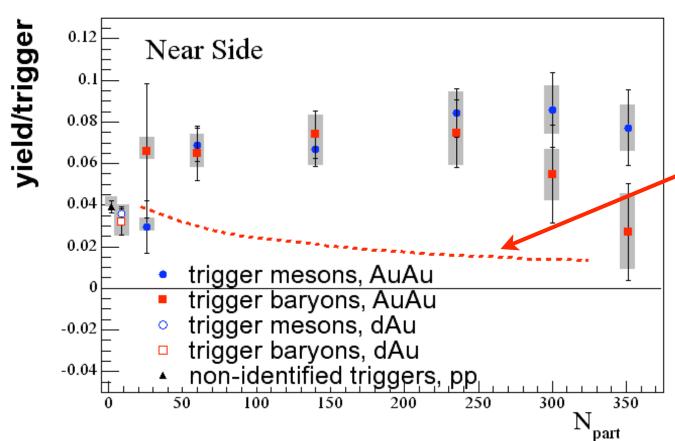
perhaps jet source is diluted in most central for trigger baryons

away side yields confirm jet source for baryons

trigger: 2.5 < pT < 4.0GeV/c partner: 1.7 < pT < 2.5 GeV/c

ets are strongly modified in AuAu collisions compared to pp

### Thermal Recombination?



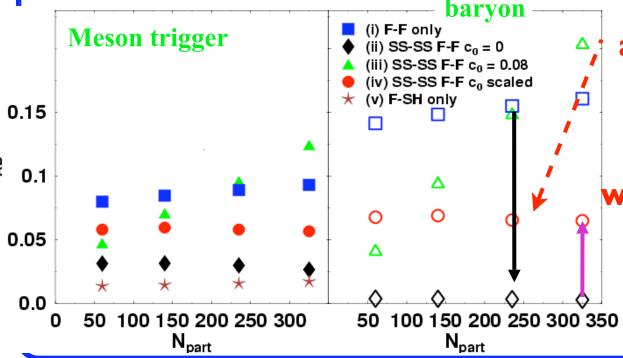
upper limit on thermal baryon source from measured antiproton/pion ratio

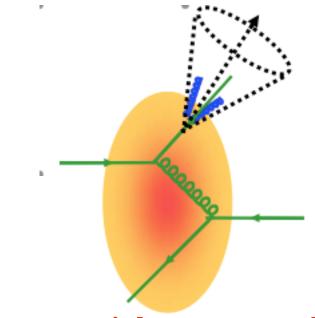
data inconsistent with centrality dependence and absolute value of thermal source limit → excess baryons must come from jets

## What's Going On?

Recombination from a correlated source "wake" effect?

→correlations amplified according to valence quark number





agrees with present data

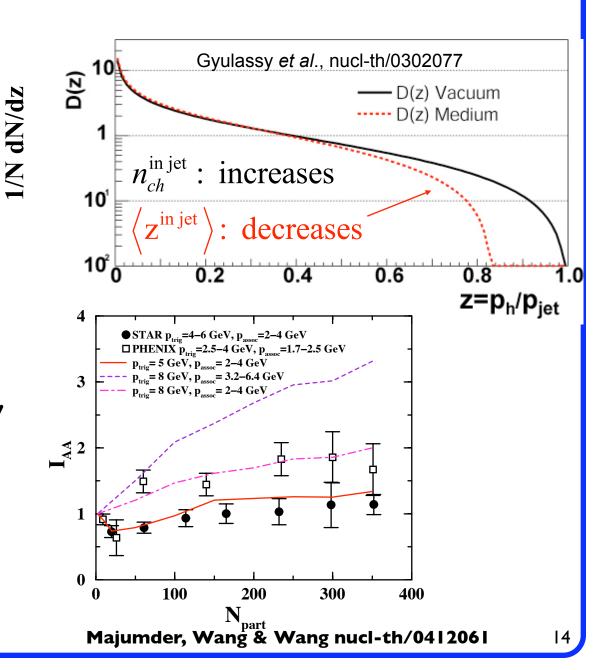
correlations with both particles identified will provide a stronger test

trigger: 2.5 < pT < 4.0GeV/c partner: 1.7 < pT < 2.5 GeV/c Fries, Bass & Mueller

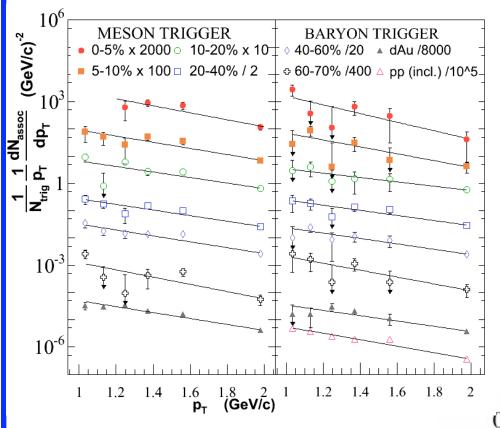
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#### Energy Loss

- AuAu jets are strongly modified; don't come purely from the surface
  - trigger particle
     must loose energy,
     which could
     increase the
     partner yield
     relative to pp



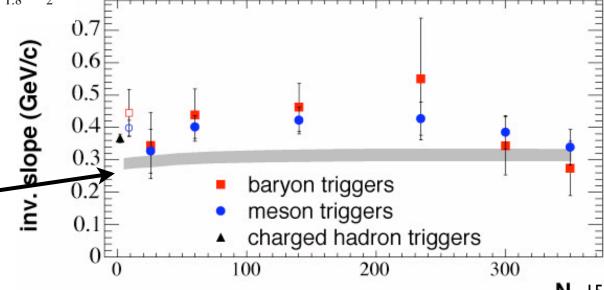
#### Near Side Partner Spectra



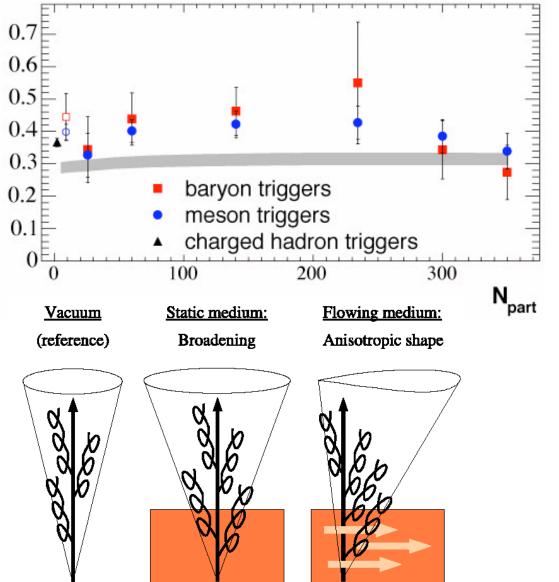
- corrected to full jet yield according to symmetric fragmentation in  $\Delta\Phi$  &  $\Delta\eta$
- partner spectrum flatter, as expected from jet source
- partner spectrum soften in more central collisions

no trigger dependence





## Jet Broadening in n?

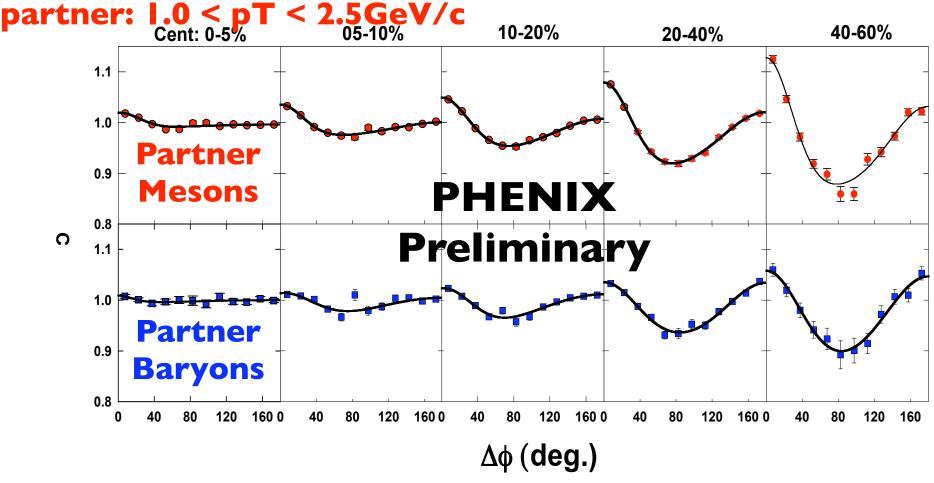


inv. slope (GeV/c)

- a wider jet cone in Δη would further soften central AuAu partners
- what would it mean for the jet partners be softer than inclusive hadrons?

#### Identified Partners

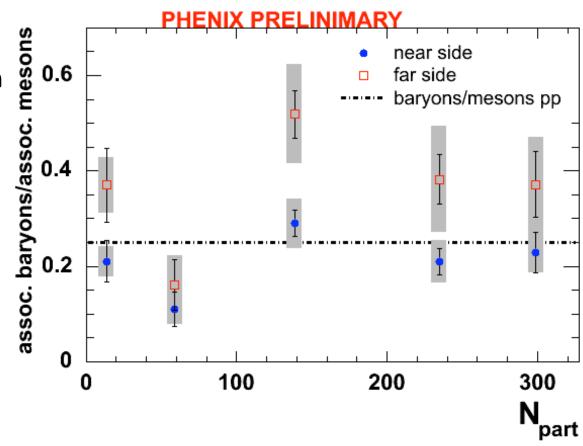
trigger: 2.5 < pT < 4.0GeV/c



partner baryon distributions have less asymmetry

#### Jet Partner Ratios

- near side baryon to meson consistent with pp baryon to meson ratio
- far side has higher ratio--medium modified jet fragmentation?
  - no significant centrality dependence



trigger: 2.5 < pT < 4.0GeV/c

partner: I.0 < pT < 2.5GeV/c

#### Conclusions

- baryons at intermediate p<sub>T</sub> are from jets
  - possible dilution from non-jet source in the most central collisions
- jet fragmentation is modified by the medium
  - richer in baryons
  - more lower p<sub>T</sub> partners
  - strong modification even on near side--surface emission?

#### What's Next?

- higher statistics measurements
  - is the dilution of the baryon triggered yields real?
- Identify both particles
  - stronger test of recombination scenarios
- higher and lower pT identified triggers
  - changes in the yields where the p/π ratio is changing